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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Michael J. Beck Clerk of the Panel The Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation Federal Judiciary Building One Columbus Circle, N.E. Room G-255, North Lobby Washington, D.C. 20002-8004

Re: <u>Tag-Along Case in MDL-986</u>: <u>In re "Factor VIII or IX Concentrate</u> Blood Products" Products Liability Litigation

Dear Mr. Beck:

This firm represents Bayer Corporation in MDL-986. The case of <u>John Thomas Vannoy v. Bayer Corp. et al.</u>, has been filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California. It is assigned to Judge Chen under the number C-07-3223. Copies of the Summons and Complaint are enclosed.

The Complaint in this case alleges, inter alia, that Mr. Vannoy, a person with hemophilia, was infected with HCV from his use of the defendants' factor concentrates (a medicine used to treat hemophilia). This claim is brought against, inter alia, Bayer Corporation and several of the same fractionator defendants that are defendants in MDL-986. Many of the allegations in this complaint are similar to the ones made in the cases that led the Panel to establish MDL-986, In re "Factor VIII or IX Concentrate Blood Products" Liability Litigation, 853 F. Supp. 454 (J.P.M.L. 1993), and, more recently, to transfer Gullone v. Bayer Corp., and other similar cases to MDL-986.

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Bayer Corporation believes that transfer of this case to the Northern District of Illinois "will promote the just and efficient conduct" of this action. 28 U.S.C. § 1470(a). Transfer under § 1407 will also avoid the potential for duplicative discovery and inconsistent rulings on certain legal issues raised by this and other factor concentrate cases now pending in the Northern District of Illinois as part of MDL-986.

For the forgoing reasons, Bayer Corporation believes that this case should be treated as a "tagalong case" in MDL-986 and that a conditional transfer order should be issued. Please advise me as soon as possible if a conditional transfer order will not be issued in this matter; so that defendants can promptly file a motion to have this case transferred to MDL-986.

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Katharine S. O'Hara

KSO/ps Enclosure(s)

1 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 2 I hereby certify that on this 13th day of July, 2007, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the documents described as STIPULATION TO STAY PROCEEDINGS; ORDER (PROPOSED); and NOTICE OF CONDITIONAL TRANSFER ORDER on the following counsel of record pursuant to ECF as to Filing Users and by Federal Express, postage prepaid, pursuant to Local Rule 5.5 as to any party who is not a Filing User or represented by a filing user: 7 SERVICE LIST 8 9 Elizabeth J. Cabraser, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiff Heather A. Foster, Esq. Richard M. Heimann, Esq. 11 LIEFF, CABRASER, HEIMANN & **BERNSTEIN** 12 275 Battery Street, 30th Flr. San Francisco, CA 94111-3399 13 Marilyn A. Moberg, Esq. Attorneys for Defendant BAXTER REED SMITH LLP 14 HEALTHCARE CORPORATION 355 South Grand Avenue, 29th Flr. 15 Los Angeles, CA 90071 16 Catherine M. Valerio Barrad, Esq. Attorneys for Defendant ARMOUR SIDLEY AUSTIN LLP PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY 17 555 California Street **Suite 2000** 18 San Francisco, CA 94104-1715 19 Duncan Barr, Esq. Attorneys for Defendant BAYER Molly a. Kuehn, Esq.
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